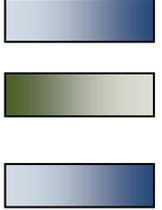


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When Do I Need a Supervisor on a Mine Site?

O.S. Title 45, Section 908. Employment of Certified Strip Pit Mine Foreman

The **Operator** shall employ a certified strip pit mine foreman for every mine except those mines in which no more than three (3) persons including the operator are employed, in which case one (1) man must have at least the status of a certified shot firer. The mine foreman shall have full charge of all workings and of all persons employed therein in order that all the provisions of this act, so far as they relate to his duties, shall be complied with and the regulations prescribed for each class of workmen under his charge shall be carried out in the strictest possible manner.

“Operator” means any person, partnership, firm, or corporation engaged in and controlling a mining operation.

Example #1: Permit: John Smith Dirt Company, Permit #L.E.-0001- John Smith is the Permittee and Operator. Thus, John Smith and two (2) other workers can be on the permitted site.

Example #2: Permit: John Smith Dirt Co., Inc. Permit #L.E.-0002 - John Smith Dirt Co., Inc. is a corporation and a corporation can appoint an agent for the company. Therefore, there can be an appointed agent for John Smith Dirt Co., Inc. and two (2) other workers on the permitted site.

In order to ensure the mine site and mine employees are safe, the Department of Mines *recommends* having a Certified Supervisor on site who knows State of Oklahoma and MSHA safety standards.

REMEMBER: SAFETY IS THE FIRST PRIORITY!!!